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## UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA Alexandria Division

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In re:	*	
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METAL STORM, INC.	*	Case No. 14-13770-RGM
	*	(Chapter 7)
Debtor(s).	*	, -
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## ORDER GRANTING TRUSTEE'S MOTION TO SELL PROPERTY OF THE ESTATE

Upon Consideration of the Trustee's Motion To Sell Property Of The Estate ("Motion"), and any response, it is

ORDERED, that the Motion be, and hereby is, GRANTED, and the Trustee is authorized to sell property of the estate pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 363(b) and Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 6004(a)-(b) on the terms and conditions set forth in his Notice Of Intention To Sell Property Of The Estate filed simultaneously with the Motion, and to take any actions provided therein without further Order of the Court, namely:

TYPE OF SALE: public or private.

PROPERTY FOR SALE: The Trustee will sell the Debtor's weapons inventory and related intellectual property consisting primarily of: two prototype MAUL weapons and one prototype FireStorm weapon;<sup>1</sup> and design data, any assignable contract or license rights,<sup>2</sup> engineering

 $<sup>^{1}</sup>$  The weapons are now being stored at Wegmann USA in Lynchburg, Virginia.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The Debtor as licensee had an intellectual property license agreement with its Australian parent Metal Storm Limited that was to run until February 6, 2016. The Debtor as licensor also had an intellectual property license agreement with Colt Canada. However, because the Trustee did not assume any executory

notebooks, and access rights to the Debtor's Dropbox account holding engineering files and technical data packages for the MAUL and FireStorm products.<sup>3</sup> The sale will be on an as-is, where-is, no-warranty basis, and the title conveyed will be all of the Debtor's interests in the sale assets.<sup>4</sup>

VALUE OF PROPERTY: Debtor's schedules estimate the value of the property as "unknown."

MANNER AND TIME OF SALE: The sale will occur either by sealed bid public auction or private sale, including use of the internet, at the discretion of N.T. Arrington, to the highest bona fide cash offeror at any time after the later of the following: sale notice published at <a href="https://www.arringtonauction.com">www.arringtonauction.com</a>; 24 days from the date of mailing of this sale notice; and Court approval of the Trustee's Motion.

APPRAISER, AUCTIONEER, AND SALES AGENT: N.T. Arrington – Auctioneer, Post Office Box 738, Gainesville, Virginia, 20156. Phone: (703) 255-4695; fax: (703) 754-9621; e-mail: nta1153@verizon.net.

COMPENSATION TO SALES AGENT: 10% of gross sale proceeds plus advertising costs and other reasonable sale-related expenses, including storage charges for the weapons being held by Wegmann USA.

LIENS: none known.

DEBTOR'S EXEMPTIONS: n/a.

TAX CONSEQUENCES TO ESTATE BY SALE: none or minimal.

NET PROCEEDS TO ESTATE: cannot be estimated at this time.

OTHER: The Trustee will be authorized to provide buyers with bills of sale and to abandon in place any property not sold or cause it to be destroyed at estate expense.

APPLICABILITY OF 11 USC § 363(m) AND FEDERAL RULE OF BANKRUPTCY

contract within 60 days of the petition date, he believes that any such contracts have been rejected under 11 U.S.C. § 365(d)(1). Nonetheless, under 11 U.S.C. § 365(n) royalties could be payable to the Debtor's assignee in the future by Colt Canada.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Any interested bidder may review the contents of the Debtor's Dropbox account by making arrangements with the Trustee to access the account over the internet. These arrangements will include proof of U.S. citizenship, entry into a non-disclosure agreement, and a meeting at the Trustee's office with the Debtor's principal Peter Faulkner who will exhibit the contents of the account.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The Debtor's parent company, Metal Storm Limited ("MSL"), is in its own liquidation proceeding in Australia. On February 27, 2015 the Trustee received a letter from the Receiver of MSL objecting to the sale of assets of the Debtor based on his concern that assets of MSL were being included. After consulting with the Debtor's president, the Trustee has concluded that the proposed sale does not include any assets of MSL. In the interest of clarity, however, the Trustee reserves the right to alter the proposed sale assets based on further communication with the Receiver of MSL.

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PROCEDURE 6004(h). Entry of an Order granting the Trustee's Motion will constitute a Court determination that the buyers are good faith purchasers and that the Order be immediately effective.

Mar 26 2015 Date:	/s/ Robert G. Mayer
	Robert G. Mayer U.S. Bankruptcy Judge
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Local Rule 9022-1(C) Certification

The foregoing Order was endorsed by all necessary parties or served upon all necessary parties as indicated in the Certificate of Service attached to the Motion, pursuant to Local Rule 9022-1(C).

/s/ Kevin R. McCarthy
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## PARTIES TO RECEIVE COPIES

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